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05 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
06 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
07 AT SEATTLE

08 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
09 Plaintiff,)
10 v.)
11 SEBASTIAN VELASQUEZ-PEREZ)
12 Defendant.)
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Offenses charged:

- 14 1. Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances

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Date of Detention Hearing: March 17, 2025.

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The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3142(f) and based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set forth, finds that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will reasonably assure the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and the community.

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

- 25 1. Defendant has been charged with a drug offense, the maximum penalty of which

01 is in excess of ten years. There is therefore a rebuttable presumption against defendant as to
02 both dangerousness and flight risk, under 18 U.S.C. § 3142(e). Defendant has no ties to this
03 District and ties to Venezuela, including a child and his father in Venezuela. He is charged
04 with a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of ten years, which provides an incentive
05 to flee. Defendant thus poses a risk of flight and a danger to the community because of the
06 nature of the charges. He does not contest detention at this time, and this order is made without
07 prejudice to reopening.

08 3. There does not appear to be any condition or combination of conditions that will
09 reasonably assure the defendant's appearance at future Court hearings while addressing the
10 danger to other persons or the community.

11 It is therefore ORDERED:

- 12 1. Defendant shall be detained pending trial, and committed to the custody of the Attorney
13 General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent practicable, from
14 persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal;
- 15 2. Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with counsel;
- 16 3. On order of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person
17 in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is confined shall deliver the
18 defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a
19 court proceeding; and
- 20 4. The Clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to counsel for
21 the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United States Probation Services

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01 Officer.

02 DATED this 17th Day of March, 2025.

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04 S. KATE VAUGHAN
05 United States Magistrate Judge
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